Claims

What is claimed is:

A method of marking an article for light condition verification purposes
comprising:

selecting a first light condition for viewing an article; and printing first and second colored markings on said article, wherein said first and second markings are metameric and have the same color appearance under the first light condition.

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- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said first and second markings are printed with first and second members of a pair of metameric inks, respectively.
- The method of claim 2, wherein said first and second members of a pair of metameric inks are both spot inks.
 - 4. The method of claim 2, wherein said first and second members of a pair of metameric inks are spot and process inks, respectively.

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- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said first and second markings is printed with a mixture of process inks.
- 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said first and second markings are printed adjacently.
 - 7. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

selecting a second light condition for viewing said article; and printing third and fourth colored markings on said article, wherein said third and fourth markings are metameric and have the same color appearance under the second light condition.

- 8. The method of claim 7, wherein said second and third markings are the same.
- 9. An article marked according to the method of claim 1.

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- 10. The article of claim 9, wherein said article is a fabric or paper article.
- 11. The article of claim 9 further comprising at least a third colored marking printed thereon.

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- 12. The article of claim 11, wherein said third marking was printed with the same printer as said first and second markings.
- 13. The article of claim 11, wherein said third marking was printed with a different printer than said first and second markings.
 - 14. An article for use in verifying light conditions comprising:

first and second colored markings printed thereon, wherein said first and second markings are metameric and have the same color appearance under a first light condition; and

third and fourth colored markings printed thereon, wherein said third and fourth markings are metameric and have the same color appearance under a second light condition.

25 15. A method of preparing a copy-proof paper article comprising:

printing first and second colored markings on a paper article, wherein said first and second markings are metameric and have the same color appearance under copier light; or

printing first and second colored markings on a paper article, wherein said first and second markings are metameric and have a different color appearance under copier light.

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- A copy-proof paper article having first and second colored markings printed thereon, wherein said first and second markings are metameric.
- 17. The copy-proof paper article of claim 16, wherein the first and second markings have the same color appearance under copier light.
 - 18. The copy-proof paper article of claim 16, wherein the first and second markings have a different color appearance under copier light.
- 10 19. A color printer comprising:

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a set of process inks; and

a first spot ink, wherein said first spot ink forms a metameric pair with one of the process inks or a mixture of the process inks; or

first and second spot inks, wherein said first and second spot inks form a metameric pair.

20. A color printer comprising:

a set of process inks, wherein one of the process inks forms a metameric pair with a mixture of the process inks.